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Chancellor Adenauer today requested through German NMR SHAPE that General Horstad visit him within next few days. Morning of September 7 has been agreed, with Horstad to see Strauss if available or General Foertsch for brief time before calling on Adenauer at 11:00. Horstad proposes to return to SHAPE immediately after meeting.

In addition to review of over-all military posture in light Berlin situation, Adenauer wishes to hear Horstad's views on question of holding German conscripts three months beyond scheduled 12-month service. Adenauer has reportedly twice opposed this plan in Cabinet meetings, but proposes to reverse himself if Horstad states the measure to be necessary. Horstad will tell him it is necessary.

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